

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on February 7, 2017 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)
Rep. Randy Brodehl, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly McCarthy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Dan Bartel (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Jon A. Knokey (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch
Sherri Row, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 22, 2/1/2017; HB 61, 2/1/2017

00:01:13 Chair Ballance

[EXHIBIT\(aph27a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph27a02\)](#)

00:01:29 Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

00:03:20 Rep. Ellis

00:03:49 Chair Ballance

HEARING ON HB 22

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:04:18 Rep. Jim Keane (D), HD 73, opened the hearing on HB 22, Appropriate money to assist/intervene/plan for closure of coal-fired generation.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:52 Dave Galt, Montana Association of Oil, Gas and Coal Counties

00:06:14 Tim Burton, Montana League of Cities and Towns (MLCT)

00:07:26 Shantil Siaperas, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:08:15 J.D. Lynch, Butte Teamster #2, IBEW #44, Montana Building Construction Trades

00:08:23 Jesse LaBuff, Boilermakers Local #11

00:08:52 Bob Gilbert, Colstrip and Rosebud County

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:10:40 Vice Chair McCarthy

00:11:46 Rep. Keane

00:11:50 Vice Chair McCarthy

00:12:54 Rep. Tschida

00:13:13 Rep. Keane

00:14:06 Vice Chair Brodehl

00:14:23 Rep. Keane

00:14:50 Rep. Woods

00:15:50 Rep. Keane

00:16:25 Rep. Ellis

00:17:42 Chair Ballance

00:18:11 Rep. Keane

00:18:24 Vice Chair Brodehl

Closing by Sponsor:

00:18:52 Rep. Keane

00:20:35 Recessed

00:35:16 Reconvened with Chair Ballance excused

00:35:20 Chair Brodehl

HEARING ON HB 61

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:35:30 Rep. Frank Garner (R), HD 7, opened the hearing on HB 61, Revise and update 9-1-1 laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:38:30 Brian Thompson, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association
00:38:53 Shantil Siaperas, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
00:40:11 Linda Stoll, Missoula County
00:41:54 Mark Baker, AT & T and Charter Communications

Opponents' Testimony:

00:43:42 Quinn Ness, Department of Administration (DOA)

Informational Testimony:

00:45:29 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
00:45:44 Evan Hammer, Montana State Library (MSL)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:46:10 Rep. Cuffe
00:46:40 Quinn Ness, DOA
00:47:27 Rep. Tschida
00:49:05 Rep. Garner
00:49:19 Rep. Keane
00:49:32 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
00:49:48 Rep. Keane
00:50:14 Quinn Ness, DOA
00:50:47 Rep. Woods
00:51:25 Quinn Ness, DOA
00:51:41 Chair Brodehl
00:53:28 Quinn Ness, DOA

Closing by Sponsor:

00:53:36 Rep. Garner

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:54:39

Sherri Row, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph27aad.pdf](#))